Television Dialogue The Sitcom Friends Vs Natural Conversation Studies In Corpus Linguistics
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Tom comes home at supper time. He has had a bad day. He skipped school that afternoon and went wandering and was caught and spanked. He has a large lump on his head and shows how that his collar is still warn from his walk. Aunt Polly is satisfied.

Tom and the new arrival eat supper. Aunt Polly is angry and eventually chases the newcomers all the way home.

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Tom comes home at supper time and here is Tom, in a sullen mood, and a great deal about his adventures. During supper, Aunt Polly asks Tom if he went to school that afternoon and what he did there. Tom replies that he didn’t go to school, and Aunt Polly is satisfied. Tom and his half-brother, Dick, go out to play, planning to fool the boys who call themselves “spies.” Tom and Dick meet several “spies” and eventually chase them away.

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